### 109TH CONGRESS 2D SESSION

# H. R. 4979

To amend the Robert T. Stafford Disaster Relief and Emergency Assistance Act to clarify the preference for local firms in the award of certain contracts for disaster relief activities.

### IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

March 16, 2006

Mr. Pickering introduced the following bill; which was referred to the Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure

## A BILL

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- 1 Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representa-
- 2 tives of the United States of America in Congress assembled,
- 3 SECTION 1. SHORT TITLE.
- 4 This Act may be cited as the "Local Community Re-
- 5 covery Act of 2006".

#### 1 SEC. 2. USE OF LOCAL FIRMS AND INDIVIDUALS FOR DIS-

- 2 ASTER RELIEF ACTIVITIES.
- 3 Section 307 of the Robert T. Stafford Disaster Relief
- 4 and Emergency Assistance Act (42 U.S.C. 5150) is
- 5 amended by adding at the end the following: "In carrying
- 6 out this section, a contract or agreement may be set aside
- 7 for award based on a specific geographic area.".

### 8 SEC. 3. EXPEDITING DISASTER RELIEF ACTIVITIES DURING

- 9 FISCAL YEAR 2006.
- Any solicitation made by the Corps of Engineers dur-
- 11 ing fiscal year 2006 concerning section 307 of the Robert
- 12 T. Stafford Disaster Relief and Emergency Assistance Act
- 13 (42 U.S.C. 5150) shall be final and conclusive and shall
- 14 not be subject to administrative or judicial review. Any
- 15 administrative or judicial action or proceeding arising
- 16 from such solicitation that is pending on the date of enact-
- 17 ment of this Act shall be immediately dismissed by the
- 18 court or administrative agency in which the action or pro-
- 19 ceeding was brought or is currently pending.

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